RICHMOND, VA., SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1891.

THE IRREPRESSIBLE BLAIR

He Still Has Hopes of Filling the Chinese Mission.

DEFAULTER BARDSLEY AND PIOUS JOHN

How Banker Marsh Managed to Effect His Escape Suspected Chilian Trick on the United States-Capital Notes.

Washington, D. C., June 5 .- [Special] .-Ex-Senator Blair, of New Hampshire, who has been rejected as the Minister to China, is still exploiting himself as a political leader, and talks with as much assurance as if he had met with success instead of failure. He is now in Washington scheming to perguade the Chinese legation to interpose its influence to have the objection to him reconsidered and rescinded. Mr. Blair speaks of the Chinese mission as if it were a matter of entire indifference, but at the same time he is paying his friends to labor with the Chinese Minister to convince him that despite his de-gonciations of China and its people Blair is

a good friend of them.

The ex-Senator is not at all disposed to relinquish his claims upon the administration, and if China persists in rejecting him he wants the appointment to Japan. In s talk to day Mr. Blair des-canted upon the third party movement, and like Ingalls he is trying the dodge of flattering the farmers and of denouncing corflattering the farmers and of denouncing cor-porations. This course is eminently char-acteristic of Blair. He is a time-server. During his years of service in the House and in the Senate he was a most subservient tool of Eastern corpo-rations and monopolies. Now, having been repudiated by his own State and re-jected by the "heathen Chinese," he is en-deavoring to make fair weather with the con-clomerate people's party and by turning his deavoring to make fair weather with the conclomerate people's party and by turning his
back upon the influences that have conferred
upon him all political honors he ever
enjoyed. In his wild theory Blair
goes so far as to protest that the Republican party in 1892 will declare for the
free-coinage of silver. With that exalted egotism that has made him notorious rather than
famous he says: "I believe I could write the
plank (on silver) in the plafform now." He
then says it will declare for the free coinage
of silver and gold as legal tender for all debts, of silver and gold as legal tender for all debts, public and private.

DANEER MARSE'S DISAPPEABANCE.

The sudden flight and successful conceal ment of Banker Marsh, of Philadelphia, caused no little surprise at first, but gradually a flood of light is being poured upon the mata flood of light is being poured upon the matter. It was surprising that Marsh could so suddenly disappear and despite all the pretended efforts to trace him absolutely conceal every clue to his course. Now it is asserted by private depositors and public officials of Philadelphia and of Pennsylvania that Marsh was urged to take refuge in flight as a means of protecting Postmaster-General Wanamaker from ignomineous exposure, It is said that ex-City-Treasurer Bardsley has made a confession which shows where much of the lost money went, and which explains why he tried to recoup by lending public funds at interest.

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Bardsley, it appears, was an instrument of Wanamaker in raising the siush fund for Harrison and Morton in 1888. The public funds were used to make up the necessary amount upon as arance that the money would be repaid. Wanamaker became financially involved and could not various various converses. colved and could not repay. Various expedients were resorted to for the purpose of ob-taining delay, and at last even the power of the Federal administration was used to stave off the collapse. President Marsh was engaged with Wanamaker in raising the corruption fund, and if placed on the stand or if arraigned for trial all the facts would come out. Hence as the only means of protection Marsh was urged to leave the country, and with the influence back of him it is doubtful if he will be caught. If captured it is declared that his revelations will be of a character calculated to force a vacancy in the Cabinet. CAPITAL NOTES.

In Virginia J. A. Barbee has been appointed

In Virginia J. A. Barbee has been appointed postmaster at Horneville, Sussex county, vice E. Tignor, resigned: E. V. Wells, at Wallers, Henry county, vice R. C. Wells, resigned.
In North Carolina P. E. Nelson has been appointed postmaster at Postel, Cherokee county, vice E. E. Nelson, resigned.
Ella Fensom has been commissioned postmaster at Paynes, Va.

Professor R. D. Wilson, of Alleghany Semi-nary, Pa., is in the city, the guest of Mr. A. C. Bruce, 111 north Sixth street. He will preach for Dr. Fair at the Grace-street Presbyterian

church to merrow night.

A board of officers has been ordered to meet

at the Norfolk navy-vard to-morrow to inves-tigate the circumstances of the death of the two men on the United States steamship Con-cord by the blowing out of her main steam-pipe, which occurred a few daysago while on er final trial trip.

The centre of population in this country in

1790 was 23 miles east of Baltimore; in 1870 it was nearly 50 miles east of Cincinnati: now it is 20 miles east of Columbus, Indiana; it moves westward at the rate of 36 to 81 miles

SINGERS OUT OF MONEY.

The "Financier's Daughter" Out of Finances in Norfolk.

Nonpole, VA., June 5 .- The Otire Opera Company of New York, playing "The Financier's Daughter," which arrived here in the early part of the week, has disbanded, and of the twenty-three members of the company nine have been left without a cent to get out of the town. Manager Lewis and fourteen of the company, together with Miss Taylor, who wrote the play, made their escape on the quiet with some of the stage appurte-nances to Hampton yesterday. The actors who were left behind will probably bring suit for damages.

for damages.

The agent of the Bay Line steamer Georgia having accepted formal notice of libel by the owners of the tug Edgar F. Luckenbach for \$6,950 she was bonded in the sum of \$10,000 and released from the custody of the court

A special from Port Haywood, Va., says the schooner Calvert is ashore at that point. Help has been summoned from Cape Henry and Newpoint, and the schooner will probably be floated by morning.

Will Leave for Old Point.

New York, June 5.—Secretary Foster again visited the sub-Treasury this morning and saw a number of bankers. He will not make known his decision in the bond matter until his return to Washington. He was entertained at luncheon by the Lawyer's Club this afternoon.

The Secretary will leave to-morrow on the Old Dominion steemship for Old Point, Va., where he will sojourn for a day or two and then proceed to Washington.

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RALEION, N. C., June 5.—A special from Greenville says: The barn of Joel Gardner, a wealthy farmer living in Pitt county, was set on fire last night, and while he and his family were trying to extinguish the flames some parties entered his dwelling and took away a trunk containing five or six thousand dollars. His little girl returned to the house just in time to see them carry away the trunk.

Noble Will Resign.

New York, June 5.—A special to the Press from Washington says: A gentleman in high official life here, who has a friend staying at the Park Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark., where Secretary Noble is also registered, received a letter to-night in which the writer reported Secretary Noble as saying that he would resign from the Cabinet at an early date on account of his health.

BEHRING SEA BILL PASSED.

An Effort to Get an Amendment Added Defeated by Hon. W. H. Smith.

(By Cable to the Times.) LONDON, June 5 .- During the debate on the Behring Sea bill in the House of Commons. Mr. Stavely Hill, Conservative member for Staffordshire, opposed the measure, especially the clause permitting the capture of seven thousand five hundred seals by United States subjects for food supply of the Alaskan na

He moved that the words "if Canada con-He moved that the words "if Canada con-sents" be added to the clause. Right-Hon, W. H., Smith, for the Govern-ment, opposed Mr. Hill's amendment on the ground that the consent of Canada to the pro-posed legislation had already been obtained. Mr. Hill stated, in view of this statement, that he would withdraw his amendment. The bill was then present

ANOTHER HITCH THREATENED.

bill was then passed.

Washington, D. C., June 5.—There is a fair prospect for another hitch in the Behring sea matter before it reaches arbitration, and there are obstacles yet to overcome before an agreement can be reached for a closed season. The bill passed by the House of Commons confers authority upon the Queen to issue a proclamation prohibiting British subjects from taking seals during a certain period, but the issuance of this proclamation is dependent on the disposition of the Queen, or rather of Lord Salisbury. The British Government it. Lord Salisbury. The British Government, it is understood, will insist that the United States shall be pledged to pay British sub States shall be pledged to pay British subjects for losses sustained through the deprivation of sealing privileges during the
closed season if the contentions of
the United States are not sustained by
arbitration. On the other hand the British
Government will probably agree to pay damages to the American company in case a differont decision is reached. Of course the
President can give no such pledge for payment of damages, that being a matter that ment of damages, that being a matter that Congress alone can deal with. Congress not being in session this question complicates the situation, and it is doubtful how the matter will be settled.

FOR TAX REFORM.

The New York Association Promulgates a Platform of Principles.

New York, June 5 .- The New York Tax Reform Association has promulgated the following platform of principles, which is signed. among others by David A. Wells, of Nor-wich, Conn.; George H. Scott, ex-president of the Real Estate Exchange; F. B. Thurber, Bolton Hall, C. T. Christian, John H. Inman, Amos R. Eno, William Steinway, Edwin J. Denning and Thomas G. Shearman.

1. The most direct taxation is theoretically the best, because it gives to real payers of taxes a conscious and direct pecuniary inter-est in honest and economical government.

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drive it away, to put a premium on dishonesty and to discourage industry.

3. Real estate should bear the main burden of taxation because such taxes can be most

easily, cheaply and certainly collected.

4. Our present system of levying and collecting State and municipal taxes is extremely bad and spasmodic, and unreflecting tinkering with it is unlikely to result in substantial im-5. No Legislature will venture to enact a

good system of local taxation until the people, especially the farmers, perceive the correct principles of taxation and see the folly of taxing personal property.

Therefore, we desire to unite our efforts in

such ways as may seem advisable to keep up intelligent discussion and agitation of the subject of taxation with a view to improvement in the system of enlightenment as to the correct principles.

Those who approve of the principles above expressed, whether or not they are able to give them assistance, are requested to com-municate with the New York Tax Reform As-sociation, No. 111 Broadway, New York, with a view to some action on this basis. This call is intended only to bring out such an expression of opinion as will make it possible to organize for the propagation of these views.

ASSAULTED BY BRUTES.

Horrible Atrocity Upon a Defenseless Girl by Conscienceless Scoundrels. PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 3 .- Jennie Long,

aged eighteen years, of Olney, was at an early hour this morning found in a dazed condition at Fourth and New York streets by Policeman Heath. Failing to get a satisfactory story from her he took her to the station-house from ther he took her to the station-house and placed her under the charge of the matron. The girl was suffering great mental agony, and as soon as she had been sufficiently quieted she told the matron a harrowing as-sault had been committed upon her. She stated that on Wednesday she came to the city in search of employment, and while walking around she encountered while walking around she encountered an unknown man, who induced her to go to the house of David Burns. No. 1817 north Second street. She had not been there long before one of the men called her into a rear room. On going in the door was shut and locked behind her, and she was made a prisoner. Here she was kept for an hour, during which she was brutally and criminall

during which she was brutally and criminally assurbed by nine men in succession. The girl fought desperately against the advances of the men, but her strength gave way to their power. When the ninth man left the room the girl was allowed to depart, and wandered around until she met the officer.

The officers after a search arrested Elmer Young, aged twenty-one; John McGurk, aged thirty: Frank McDermott, aged thirty: E. Lafferty, aged thirty, Alexander Devlin, aged thirty-five; Patrick Dollerton, aged thirty; Philip Reul, aged twenty-seven; John Beadley, aged twenty-five, and David Burns.

At a hearing this afternoon the fiends were committed to await a further hearing.

Jennie Long was sent to the Episcopal Hospital, where she lies in a precarious condition.

DR. BRIGGS' CASE,

The Theological Seminary Directors Stand by

the Presbytery. New YORK, June 5 .- For three hours this afternoon the directors of the Union Theologi-cal Seminary sat in secret session discussing the case of Dr. Briggs. A resolution was adopted at the meeting upholding the former action of the directors regarding the transfer of Dr. Briggs from the Davenport professor-ship of Hebrew to the new Edward Robinson professorship of Biblical theology. The reso-

ntion was as follows:

Resolved, That the board of directors, after having taken legal advice, and after due con-sideration, see no reason to change their views on the subject of the transfer of Dr. Briggs, and feel bound in the direction of their duties under this charter and constitution to adhere

to the same.

"This is all," said Treasurer Kingsley, "that we can make public of the meeting with the exception that there were two dissenting votes upon the passage of the resolution. The other points raised are deferred until after we hear from the General Assembly."

The fact that a struggle was in progress behind closed doors was evident when Professor George A. Prentiss staggered out into the hall after the discussion had been under way for two hours, and nearly sank to the floor through weakness brought on by over excitement. The venerable professor's body shook life a leaf and he had to be assisted to a private room until he had recovered. Then Dr. Hastings left his place in the meeting and accompanied the professor home. Only one ballot was taken on the resolution, and the costs stood 20 to 2 in favor of its passage.

vote stood 20 to 2 in favor of its passage. Fatal Cyclone.

Shoals, Inc., June 5.—A cyclone passed over Burnside, this county, last night, destroying a large amount of property. Absalom Sharpless was killed, Miss Nora Fortner severely injured. Much stock was killed.

A Noted Wedding. Chicago, Lix., June 5.—Announcement has been made of the approaching marriage of General John M. Scoheld to Miss Georgia Kilbourne, of Keokuk. The ceremony will take place June 17th.

SHARP TRICK UPON UNCLE SAM

Believed That the Itata Transferred the Bulk of Her Cargo of Arms.

NOT YET IN UNITED STATES CUSTODY.

Conference of the Officials in Washington-Who is Responsible?-What Admiral McCann Says.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 5 .- [Special.]-The suspicion is that the Chilian insurgents have played a very shrewd trick upon Uncle Sam by delivering the bulk of the Itata's cargo of arms and ammunition either to the Esmeralda or at some port in possession of the insurgents before surrendering increases here. There are reasons to believe that this suspicion is entertained in official circles. At all events the authorities persistenly refuse to give out any definite information concerning the surrender of the Chilian vessel, and when asked as to what cargo she obtained from the Robert and Minnie the most profound ignorance is assumed.

NOT IN CUSTODY YET.

The case of the Itata is not yet in the custody of the department, and will not be until that vessel reaches San Diago, California.

The usual course, Attorney-General Miller said to-day, will then be pursued, the vessel will be libelled and the case tried in the

The surrender of the Itata was the subject of a conference at the White House to-day between the President, Attorney-General Miller, Acting-Secretary Wharton and Secretary Tracy. An opinion as to the interna-tional aspect of the case was obtained from Mr. Moore, Assistant-Secretary of State, who showed how wide are the differences be-tween the authorities on the subject of the esponsibility in such instances;

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

His ultimatum was that in view of this disagreement the Chilian Government cannot be held responsible, nor can the United States Government. The owners of the vessel may he held liable, as they undoubtedly must have

he held liable, as they undoubtedly must have known that they were engaging in unlawful business when they agraed to transport the arms to the insurgents in Chili.

The official information as to the surrender of the Itata at Iquique was contained in a dispatch from Acting-Rear-Admiral McCann received by Secretaey Tracy several hours after the regular time of closing the department. The dispatch came in cipher, and it took about three hours to translate it.

In effect the dispatch stated that the Itata had arrived at Iquique from Tocopilla Wednesday night and was placed at the disposition of Admiral McCann yesterday morning. She had on board, the dispatch says, 5,000 rifles and also ammunition taken from the schooner Robert and Minnie off the port of San Diego, Cal. She had no other munitions of war than those belonging to the ship, and had transferred nothing to the Esmeralda, with whom she communicated off Acapulco, Mex. After communicating with this insurgent cruiser she went direct to Tocopilla.

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Charleston arrived at Iquique yesterday and that the Pensacola was expected before night-The Itata will now be sent back to San

Diego, probably under the convoy of one of the cruisers of the Admiral's squadron as soon she can coal and prepare for the return b. She will be delivered to the United States court officers at San Diego and the pro-ceedings against her for violation of the neu-trality law will be resumed at the point where they were interrupted by the unlawful de-parture of the steamship, and the responsible parties will, if they appear, also be called upon to answer the additional charge of contempt of court in running away while under injunc-

(By Cable to the Times.) Parts, June 5.—A dispatch from Iquique says that in consequence of Bolivia's recogni-tion of the Chilian Congress party as belliger-ents the Chilian Minister at Lopaz, the Boliv-

ian capital, has demanded his passports. REFORMED PRESEYTERIANS.

Little Interest Taken in the Speeches of Defense by the Ministers.

PITTSBURG, PA., June 5.-The interest in the proceedings of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod appears to have abated at the close of the eloquent appeals for justice by the suspended ministers. The attendance to-day was very small.

Almost the entire morning session was taken

Almost the entire morning session was taken up by Rev. George in his argument in self-defense and in defense of the action of the Pittsburg Presbytery. Dr. George's argument was disappointing to his friends. His remarks were rambling, covering many points five or six times. The speaker became greatly confused when pointedly questioned by those whom he was trying to prove guilty of violating church laws. Several sensations were occasioned by the nature of these questions and answers.

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Rev. Dr. McAllister, moderator of the Pittshis address in defense of the action of the presbytery in suspending the ministers. After analyzing the legal aspect of the question he proceeded with the argument that there is no ground for an appeal from the decision of the

presbytery.
At the afternoon session Rev. McAllister continued his argument. He stated that the Pittsburg Presbytery had always maintained the law and order and observed the discipline of the Church, and had done no "injustice"

and wrong."

He spoke at length in regard to an alleged He spoke at length in regard to an abaged breach of confidence with which he was accused. The Rev. H. W. Temple, one of those who attended the East-End meeting, and who was secretary, told Dr. McAllister that an organization had been formed. This was told in confidence, but subsequently the seal of confidence was removed by the Rev. Mr.

Temple himself.

The speaker then said: "In connection with this one member before the presbytery" the held in his hand a paper! "I have here a sworn affidavit from Rev. J. F. Carson, of New York, that there was no organization formed at the East-End meeting." How are we to reconcile these two statements? One says there was an organization formed, and one has an affidavit that there was not. There was the leave an organization, because the

must have been an organization, because the platform was printed and Mr. Temple told me they were to secure signatures.

"I assert that until the affidavit and minutes of the East-End meeting are put upon this table, I shall insist that that organization was

table, I shall insist that that organization was a secret body."

The speaker referred to the fact that the presbytery did not wrongly impute the intentions of the young men to break up the Church. He spoke of the distressed condition of several churches, and said that they were torn up because some one in the Covenantry church had been guilty of following divisive courses. The speaker read several verses from the Scrapture and the confession to prove that the opinions of the young men were erroneous and were and the confession to prove that the of the young men were erroneous and were destructive to the doctrines of the Church, destructive to the doctrines would divide and and that their promulgation would divide and overthrow the Church.

Dr. McAllister will continue his argument

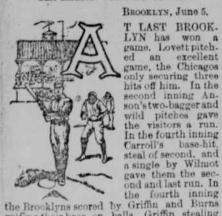
> The Coercian Act. [By Cable to The Times.]

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London, June 5.—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Balfour said in reply to Mr. Nolan that although he considered the time had come when certain portions of the coercian act might be suspended, and especially the clauses giving summary jurisdiction, he never meant such action on the part of the government to be retrospective, remitting the sentences of O'Brien and Dillon.

BROOKLYNS WIN AT LAST.

They Defeat the Chicagos-Giants Beat the Tail-Enders-The Other Games.



In the fourth inning Carroll's base-hit. steal of second, and a single by Wilmot gave them the sec-ond and last run. In getfing their base on balls, Griffin stealing second and scoring on O'Brien's hit to Wilmot. In the sixth they made six clean hits and turned them all into runs. Attendance,

a run. The fielding of Bassett was a feature. Score:

Baldwin and Fields. Umpire, Hearst.

Boston, Mass., June 5.—The Bostons made a mark of Viau in their game with the Clevelands to-day, scoring thirteen hits and eleven runs from him. The run-getting, however, was aided somewhat by the errors of the visitors. Clarkson was in excellent form and pitched a fine game, for the home club. Attendance, 1,700. Score:

ASSOCIATION GAMES,

At Columbus:

At Cincinnati: The Cincinnati-Athletic game was postponed on account of wet grounds. At Louisville:

At St. Louis:

HOW THE CLUBS STAND. W. L. Ass'n. ... 1318t Louis. Boston 19 is Cincinnati
Clevoland 19 20 Columbus
Pittsburg 17 is Louisville
Brooklyn 15 22 4thlette
Cincinnati 14 24 Washingtou

Results of the Turf. Following were the results of yesterday's

First race, three-quarters of a mile-Level-er first Dalsyrian second, Sequence third.

Time, 1:12%.

Second race, one mile—Vardee first, Joe Courtney second, Atlantic third. Time, 1:51%.

Third race, debutant stakes for two-year-old fillies, five furlongs—Anna B, first, Natalie S, second, Marina third. Time, 2:00%.

Newthern one and a sixteenth miles—

Fourth race, one and a sixteenth miles— Frontenac first, Judge Morrow second, Woodentter third. Time, 1:47.
Fifth race, Wither's stakes for three-year-

olds, one imile—Pienicker first. Montana second, Laurestan third. Time, 1:43%. Sixth race, three-quarters of a mile—Merry Monarch first, Arnica second, Hyacinth third. File. 1:14%.
Following are entries for to-day: Following are entries for to-day:
First race, five furlongs, maidens—Judge
Toney, Arnold, Golddigger, Morgan G., Dago,
Prohibition, Tasso, His Highness, Lakewood,
Adelbert, Clara (colt), Canvas, Temple,
Strathdyke, Brita (colt), 111; Enid, Hinda

Dwyer, Ninone, Piccadilly, 108.
Second race, one mile—Rey Del Rey, Walcott, Snowball, Mountain Deer, 122; L'Intri-

cott. Snowball, Mountain Deer, 122; L'Intriquante, Lima, 117; Atlantic, 115.

Second race, Great Eclipse stakes, threequarters of a mile—Coxswain, Sir Matthew,
Shellbark, Tammanv, Airshaft, Airplant,
Temple, Osric, Hellgate, Kingman, Rex,
Merry Monarch, Delusion, Take Back, 118Clotho, Spinslong, Crystal, 115.

Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile—Tormentor, Eliss, 126; Meriden, 123; Hypatica,
Correction, Vintage Time (filly), 116; St. August, Trinity, Commonsense, 114; Saunterer,
Slipper, Sir Launcelot, Roquefort, Kingmaker, 111.

Fifth race, New York handicap, mile and a
quarter—Tristan, 119; Raceland, 117; Tournament, 114; Eon, Demuth, 112; Cuchara, 98;
Fagan, 97; Kildeer, 93; Trinity, 92.

nent, 114; Ech. Demuth, 112; Cuchara, 38; Pagan, 97; Kildeer, 93; Trinity, 92. Sixth race, seven furlongs, selling—Blue Jeans, 115; Centura, 114; Watterson, Kemp-land, 112; Fairstan, Tochlight, 109; Rio, 107; Arab, Adventurer, 106; Uncertainty, 103; Sen-ator, Lady Pulsifer, Gertie D, 102; Flavia, 101; War Duke, Missive, 91; Josie W, 86; Prince Charming, 100. Charming, 100.

First race, mile and twenty yards—Linlith-gow first, Profligate second, Cashier third.

Second race, one mile-Philora first, Palmetto second, Reputation third, Time, 1:51¼.

Third race, mile and seventy yards—Brazos first, Eli second, Alphonse third, Time, Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile-New-

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ton first, Gorman second, Chaperon third, Time, 1:24%.

Fifth race, four and a half furlongs—Ceverton first, Curt Gunn second, Fallero third. Time, 1:01%.

Following are the entries for to-day:
First race, selling—Fred Fink, 100; Tenor,
102; Cashier, 104; Consignee, Alphonse, 106;
Ranier, 107; Bob Forsythe, Hamlet, 112.
Second race, selling, one mile—L. H., 100;
Little Annie, 102; Remini, 106; Jim Gim, 112;
Ned, 108; Liederkranz, 107; Spectator, 111;
Mary H., 102; Aunt Kate, 101; Sir Planet, 97;
Remedy, 86; Brutus, 104; Rollin Hawley,
John Daz, 105.
Third race, two-year-olds, four furlones— Third race, two-year-olds, four furlongs— Ollie Glen, 105; Frances, Umatilla, Duchess, Unadilla, 109; Debonair, 115; Madden, 118.

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Fourth race, handicap, mile and seventy yards—Marchma, Maduma, 90; Lorenza; 95; Reputation, Bonnie Byrd, 98; Hamlet, 105; Eli, 108; Red Sign, 111; Dr. Nave, 122.

Fifth race, hotel handicap stakes, mile and three-sixteenths—Allan Bane 98; Rosemont, 104; Yale '91, 108; Gloekner, 109; W. G. Norris, 112; Marian C., 121.

Weather clear, track muddy.

PIMILICO STAKES OFF.

PALITIMORE, MD., June 5.—The bad condition of the track caused a postponement of the races of the Pimlico Driving Club to-day. To-morrow's large card is made necessary so as to allow the horses to leave for Washington, where the Southwestern circuit meeting opens at Bennings on Tuesday next.

MRS. WILSON A BAD WITNESS.

She Allows the Plaintiff to Score a Point in the Baccarat Trial.

THE ARGUMENT OF COUNSEL BEGINS.

Sir Charles Russell Indulges in His Noted Satirical Allusions-Lord Coventry on the Witness Stand.

[By Cable to The Times.]

LONDON, June 5 .- When the Lord Chief-Justice took his seat in the baccarst trial this morning the customary crowd filling the room to the door was present. As soon as the jury were seated the now famous baccarat counters were passed over to them for inspection.

Mrs. Lycett Green, wife of Mr. Lycett Green, the Yorkshire "maver of the hounds," was again called to the witness box and the cross-examination of the lady was resumed by Sir Edward Clarke, but nothing startling

The defense then called Mrs. Arthur Wil-The defense then called Mrs. Arthur Wilson, of Tranby Croft, and a party defendant to the suit. She testified that she distinctly recollected having seen her son (Mr. Arthur Stanley Wilson) looking at her with a puzzled expression from time to time during the progress of the game of baccarat which was played at her Tranby Croft residence on the night of September 8, 1890.

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Later her son informed her that he had seen the plaintiff, Sir William Gordon-Cumming, cheat at play. She said to him: "You must not mention it. We must not have a scandal in our house."

Witness recollected hearing plantiff asking the banker (the Prince of Wales) to pay him (plaintiff) £10 for a counter which he had claimed had been overlooked. Witness also remembered hearing the Prince of Wales say on that occasion that he wished people would place their stakes where they could be seen. The Prince had spoken in the tone of a man who was seriously annoyed. Once subsequently witness had seen the plaintiff push a ten-pound counter over the chalk line so openly that she wondered that none of the other persons present appeared to have observed the action. Witness was then turned over to the prosecution for cross-examination.

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Replying to the first question witness declared that she did not sign a paper pledging secrecy of the baccarat dicoveries at Tranby Croft. She, however, admitted that the Prince of Wales had appealed to her to say nothing of the matter. On the night of the 8th of September (the first night of the play) the Prince of Wales asked her to have a proper baccarat table prepared for him on the following evening.

This had occurred before the witness knew anything of the alleged cheating by the plaintiff. Being pressed, witness said that the table had been rearranged, particularly on account of Sir William Gordon-Cumming, because it was hoped that its rearrangement might prevent a recurrence of disagreeable things.

WHY SHE DISOREYED HER BUSHAND.

WHY SHE DISOBEYED HER HUSBAND. At this point counsel for the plaintiff began pushing the examination sharply and vigor-ously. In reply to a question by Sir Edward Clarke witness said that her husband had obclarke witness said that her husband had objected to baccarat being played in his house only because he feared that the play might become too high among hot-headed youths, who were sometimes of their company. When asked why she had not told the Prince of Wales, who brought the gambling party to Tranby Croft, that her husband objected to baccarat being played there, she replied: "I did not do so because we were such a staid, non-gambling party that I did not think much harm could come from the little play in-

dulged in."
Witness kept her self-possession fairly well through this part of the examination, but was visibly annoyed at the loud titter that greeted her reason for disobeying her husband's injunction.

In response to other questions by the plaintiff's counsel witness was forced to admit that she had sat at play on the second night (September 9th) with a guest whom she had heard solemnly denounced as a cheat. Here counsel plied her rapidly with questions, a course that somewhat confused her. At last she was asked point blank: "Why did you in your own house, and where it was primarily your duty to protect your guests, sit at play with a man whom you had heard called a common sheat?"

To the utter amazement of every one present witness replied: "I had put it out of mind. I had a lot of other matters to think about." To say that this episode created a assensation is to put it mildly indeed. When asked whether she had seen Sir William cheat witness replied: "Yes; unfortunately without doubt." This concluded the cross-examination of Mrs. Arthur Wilson,

LORD COVENTRY TESTIFIES.

Lord Coventry was the next witness for the defense. He stated that when Lycett Green told him and General Williams and young Wilson of Sir William's cheating they felt that it was their duty to the Prince of Wales to inform him of the conduct of his friend. When witness told Sir William of the accusation against him Sir William of the accusa-tion against him Sir William denounced it as a falsehood and said it was merely the "state-ment of a parcel of inexperienced boys who were unentitled to belief."

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Subsequently the plaintiff repeated this statement in the Prince's presence, and the Prince simply responded, "There are five against you." Witness told Sir William that Prince simply responded, "There are five against you." Witness told Sir William that Green wished to confront him, but plaintiff did not express a desire to meet his accusers. When General William's and Lord Coventry submitted the paper for Sir William's signature the latter said: "That is tantamount to an admission of guilt. I won't sign." Witness and General Williams replied, "That's so."

HE SIGNS THE CONTRACT.

There was nothing in Sir William's manner to show that he had lost his head. The witness and General Williams advised him as friends to sign. Plaintiff thereupon signed, and promised to leave Tranby Croft early the

next morning.

The document was later forwarded to the The document was later forwarded to the Prince. Witness' diary, made at the time, was produced and found to agree with his present testimony. The diary said the writer was animated by a desire to avoid scandal and keep the Prince out of the disagreeable affair. Cross-examined, the witness said that when he parted with Cumming he did so in the belief that the latter would be allowed to remain in the army and clubs. in the army and clubs.

ARGUMENT BEGUN.

The defense here rested, and Sir Charles Russell addressed the court in behalf of the defense. He referred satirically to the altered tone of the prosecution since it had become familiar with the damning evidence presented. He had hoped that the defendants would prove to have been appearing in their would prove to have been uncertain in their would prove to have been uncertain in their charges. That was, however, impossible. Continuing, Sir Charles Russell asked how the plaintiff's conduct could possibly be consistent with innocence. Could anything be imputed to the witnesses to justify the assumption that they were not creditable? He had never known in his experience witnesses are considered to the witnesses. rience five witnesses giving concurrent testi-mony so absolutely untouched by crossexamination. Pending argument the court adjourned until Monday.

NOT ENGAGED TO MISS GARNES.

During the course of an interview to-day Sir William Gordon-Cumming denied that there was any truth in the story cabled from New York yesterday that the plaintiff was to be married shortly to Miss Florence Garner, of that city of that city.

evidently fear that the disclosures may effect the next election unfavorably for the Conservatives. Among the nobility and gentry the conduct of the Prince excites neither surprise nor objection. It is among the middle classes and the poor that severe comments are heard on the incidents of Tranby Crott. England has grown more critical since the days of the Mordaunt divorce, and the public opinion of the multitude is evidently disposed to hold the Prince to a responsibility for his indulgence in gambling.

A leading Radical remarked to day that the Cumming scandal would have an influence on the future of Great Britain that could not be measured in this generation. As stated in these dispatches on Wedneaday, Lord Middleton, brother-in-law of Sir William, has been his backer from the first in the effort to redeem his name from disgrace, and His Lordship's appearance in court to-day was the open assertion of the sympathy he has all along felt and displayed for his unfortunate relative. Cumming has meny friends also among the audience, and the fair portion espe-

relative. Cumming has many friends also among the audience, and the fair portion espe-cially seem to be his attentive admirers.

(By Cable to The Times.) (By Cable to The Times.)

London, June 5.—The South Wales Methodist Quarterly Conference in session at Cardiff has adopted a resolution regretting that the Frince of Wales took part in a game called baccarat at Tranby Croft, thus by his example encouraging vice and damaging the standing of the royal house in the estimation and affection of the people.

NEARING THE END.

The Thread Between the Life and Death of the Premier Nearly Severed.

OTTAWA, ONT., June 5 .- Sir John Macdonald may die at any moment now. Dr. Wright attributes the change for the worse which took place this evening to failure of both brain and heart, and says it will be marvel-

lous if the Premier passes the night. Dr. Grant likens the Premier's condition to the dying flickering of a burnt-out candle which may go out at any moment. "I don't see," said he, "how he can last more than a few hours at most. His condition is as bad as can be and the thread between life and death may be severed at any moment. Sir John has been in a comatose condition all the evening. His death has been expected at any time but he may last an hour or two yet.

TRIAL OF DUNCAN BEGUN.

The Sensational Attempted Wife-Murder Being Heard in Court.

[By Cable to the Times.] CARNARVAN, WALES, June 5 .- R. C. Duncan, the American who was found near Bettws-y-Coed in the act of assaulting his wife with a

stone on May 19th, was taken from prison bere this morning to that place for trial. He was looking pale and careworn.

The chief witness at the trial was Evan Evans, the quarryman farmer, who went over in detail the finding of the Duncans on May 19th, when he was returning from his work between 6 and 7 o'clock in the evening. He came suddenly upon Duncan, who was bending over or supporting the prostrate form of

came suddenly upon Duncan, who was bending over or supporting the prostrate form of
Mrs. Duncan, with a large stone in his hand.
Mrs. Duncan was lying in a crevice in the rocks
bordering on the pathway.
On seeing Evans approach Duncan in the
best Welsh he could command, shouted, "My
wife is ill, fetch a doctor; my wife has fallen
down the rocks"

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Evans, aided by the husband, carried the injured woman to Evans' farm house near by and sent two messengers for Dr. Jones, of Dolwyddean. On the doctor's arrival he found that Mrs. Duncan was suffering from five or six serious wounds in the head.

On the physician's asking how the injuries had been sustained Duncan replied: "Mrs. Duncan has fallen down the rocks."

On Dr. Jones remarking that he needed to consult with another physician Duncan re-

consult with another physician Duncan replied; "Do so; money is no object."

Dr. Jones then sent to Festinog for his principal, Dr. R. Roberts, who reached the farm house soon after midnight. At noon on the following day the operation of trepanning was performed by the two physicians.

Evans swore that when he first saw Mrs. Duncan she was bleeding from the mouth and car.

Drs. Jones and Roberts also swore that a ompound fracture of the skull had been sustained. From present appearances the medical men of the vicinity, who have watched the case from the beginning, are of the opinion that Mrs. Duncan's mental faculties will never be fully restored.

Powder and Lightning Cause Death. (By Cable to the Times.)

In Cable to the Limes.

London, June 5.—Krupp's works at Dortemund, Westphalia, have been blown up by an explosion, which killed four and seriously injured several other persons.

Terrible damage has been done by lightning at Troppau in Austrian Silesia.

Many houses were burned, having been set on fire by the electric fluid, and three persons were killed. A woman is said to have died of fright during the storm, and a large number huddled about the church praying and crying out while others fought to extinguish the

The Kaiser evidently regards his coming visit to England as an important historical event. He has requested Herr Rudolph Wimmer, of Munich, and other painters to proceed to that country and prepare to depict on canvas the more important incidents of his visit, including his public interview with his grandmother and the presentation at the

grandmother and the presentation at the Guild Hall.

St. Petersburg advices state that the persecution of the Jews has taken a new phase. The Russian authorities, after having abused, imprisoned, and otherwise ill treated many thousands of the unfortunate race, are now anxious to prove that the Jews are criminals and deserve the punishment inflicted on them before any charge was made. Therefore the police have seized the books of a number of synagogues containing the Jewish records of marriages, and it is hoped to secure evidence that bigamous marriages have been common and that Hebrews after obtainining worthless divorces from the rabbis have married again in violation of the law. How far the effort to detect such crimes will succeeed remains to be seen.

The Kaiser Astonished.

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(By Cable to The Times.) London, June 5.—The Kaiser is said to be utterly astonished at the baccarat trial, as in Germany nobody playing against the heir to the throne would think for a moment of win-

> To Suspend Gold Payments. (By Cable to The Times.)

Burnos Ayrrs, June 5.—A proposal has been submitted to the Senate suspending payments in gold for six months. The Italian and Spanish commercial banks have re-opened. Miss Blien Terry III.

(By Cable to The Times.)

LONDON, June 5 .- Miss Ellen Terry, the actress, is ill with congestion of the lungs. Her condition is reported to be serious,

Chicago, June 5.—Negotiations were com-pleted yesterday for the purchase by the whisky trust of the Schufeldt and the Calumet distilleries, the only large distilleries outside of the trust. It is understood that the price is

Oxygen is the most abundant of all the ele-ments; it composes at least one-third of the earth, one-fith of the atmosphere, and eight-ninths by weight of all the water on the globe; it is also a very important constituent of all minerals, animals and vegetables.

The developments of the baccarat trial have aroused the strong non-conformist element against the class of which the Prince of Wales is the leader, and from the talk in the lobbies of Parliament to-day there is